# A FLORIDA V V V CHICKEN FARM



especially fond of young poultry.

I succeeded in getting a pig of no

particular breed, and since then have

is seldom that one is seen in the

snakes fight for their lives, striking

are calmly caught and chewed up.

I feed my poultry only once a day;

I mean the grown fowls. The chicks

go to the grain patch and the orange

grove when they first jumped down

If I were stronger and able to do

all the work myself I am sure I could

easily make eight dollars a head. I

have heard of several instances down

RELATED BY OLD SETTLER

Just a Little Happening in Which

He and a Big She-Bear

Had Parts.

Senator Boles Penrose, at a dinner

"It promises incredible things. In

lake, I asked him if he had ever had

any remarkable adventures with

"'Well, no, senator,' said the old

"'It all come about over old Sukey,

stayin' out late at night. Then I'd

have to go to the woods and fetch her

"'Well, one night when I wanted to

"'I'd missed my gal by that time,

"The old cow showed fight. She

her to the barn, and there I tied her

up tight and fast, and I milked her in

"'I certainly did have to laugh,

Antiquated.

quoted the poetle person.

"Man wants but little here below,"

"On the contrary," rejoined the prac-

tical party, "the classified columns of

the modern newspaper prove conclu

sively that his wants are numerous."

The beauty of the doughnut is the

and I was riled clear through. I cut

about proper.

bears

MARY FINNY URMSTON.

from their roosts.

OR the last four years I have earned my pin money out of chickens. My hens give me a profit of more than five dollars a head. You think that an enormous yield for chickens? So do 1, for I had been raising a few chickens ever since I was a small girl; but I have my account book and so I know just what I spend and what I take in.

My chickens are Rhode Island Reds and bred from the best layers. I have found that there is more in the strain make sure she had no Berkshire blood than in the breed of chickens. I car- in her veins. It seems that in Florida, ried my chickens with me when I if nowhere else, the Berkshire hog has went to Florida, so I know all about a reputation of eating flesh and being them for generations.

Years ago I sold all my other breeds, keeping only the Plymouth Rocks and Rhode Island Reds, because had no trouble with snakes; indeed it I had proved to my satisfaction that these two breeds gave most eggs in the place. That pig and her succession of winter when eggs are scarce and fetch families have driven away all that the highest prices. I finally discard- they haven't eaten up. Oh, yes, the ed the Plymouth Rocks because I found the Rhode Islanders hardler and the pigs repeatedly, but this doesn't lighter feeders, or perhaps I should appear to interrupt the feast. They say better foragers.

This characteristic of their being They say the snake diet doesn't ingood foragers has had a good deal to jure the quality of the pork or afdo with my large profits in Florida. I fect the taste in the slightest, but I much prefer to sell my pigs to servnever have given my flock meat. They and insects enough for their own ing them on my own table. meat supply. Since the first season down there I have never given them a bit of meat except the few morsels are fed just as I did in Massachusetts. that are mixed in the table scraps This one meal is given at night and which they have regularly every day, they have all they will eat up. In

In Florida I have not raised my own the fall months when the grass seeds feed but have bought it in small quan- are ripe the fowls eat very lightly. At tities at the regular retail prices. I the beginning of my venture here I have been forced to hire all labor did give a morning feed, but I soon done, such as building and repairing found that the chickens preferred to the houses, coops and fences. At my home in Massachusetts, being then a comparatively strong woman, I was able to do all such things myself, and yet my chickens never netted me more than \$1.50 a head all the years that I struggled with them.

There in the winter the birds had here in which such a profit is made to be housed and supplied with green regularly and without a great amount and meat food besides their regular of work. rations of grain. In Florida they run in the yards all the year long and get their green food from the small patch of grain which I keep for them at the back of their yard and their own meat by catching insects.

Northern friends who have come to visit me ask if there is not a differ ence in the prices which I now receive for my chickens and those I sold while in Massachusetts. I am at the Philadelphia club, said of a forced to reply that I formerly re- movement that he opposed: ceived somewhat higher prices than are paid in Florida. Most of my fact, it makes me think of Jack eggs and dressed fowls are bought by Travers of Pike county. Jack is an the largest hotel and though it is run old man now. He remembers the time by a northern manager, he expects when bears were as plentiful on the and gets southern prices. All that barren mountains as rattlers still are. the hotel does not take is readily Once, when I was fishing at Porter's sold to private families, so I never have the expense of shipping.

I do not think any other would do as well as my Rhode Island Reds. I let my hens sit on their own man, as he filled his pipe with cut I have found this best in a plug; "I can't say as I ever had much small flock. A hen must have some to do with bears hereabouts. Wunst, time for rest from laying. I never in my sparkin' days, me and a bear allow a hen to sit more than once got together-twa'n't nothin', though. in each year, because it is not necessary where all are equally good moth- our cow. She had a bad habit of ers and where there is a good demand for fresh eggs.

Before the chickens are a month old home to the milkin'. the mother invariably has begun to lay again. I have four hens that go sparkin', Suke was late agin, and give me 200 eggs each year. They are it certainly riz my dander. I startmother and three daughters. As the ed out after her, cussin' a blue streak, mother is now four years old I am and in about an hour I heerd her looking forward to the time when her snortin' and puffin' in the thicket. yield of eggs will drop off, but even then I think it will pay me to keep her, not only because of the strain, a saplin' and went for old Sukey. It but also because she is an excellent was too dark to see, but I knew her brooder and mother. The ordinary snuffle, and I grabbed her by the ear hen I do not think it pays to keep and began to lay on with my stick just after it is two ears old.

I have found that in Florida the houses have to be much more care- wrestled me around considerable. But fully attended to than in Massachu- | I was mad-mad all over-and I halfsetts because of the extreme difficulty pushed and half-drug and half-carried in keeping down vermin. My houses are all of wood built for ventilation more than warmth. For the first four the dark. Afterward I went to bed. feet the boards are put on solid to prevent the depredations of what the though, when I come down the next negroes down here call varmints, that mornin'. Gosh durned if I hadn't is, minks, 'coons, foxes and stray fotched home and milked a big shedogs and cats that may slip through bear." your fence. Above this solid line a space of two inches is allowed be tween the boards until on a line with the roosts. There again is a solid belt to prevent the chickens from roosting in a draft.

Besides the usual enemies here a chicken raiser has to fight snakes. They slip into the nests and net only swallow the eggs, but often devour young chicks. To fight them a Florida friend told me to get a pig and fact that the hole always agrees with give her the run of the yard, but to the dyspeptio.

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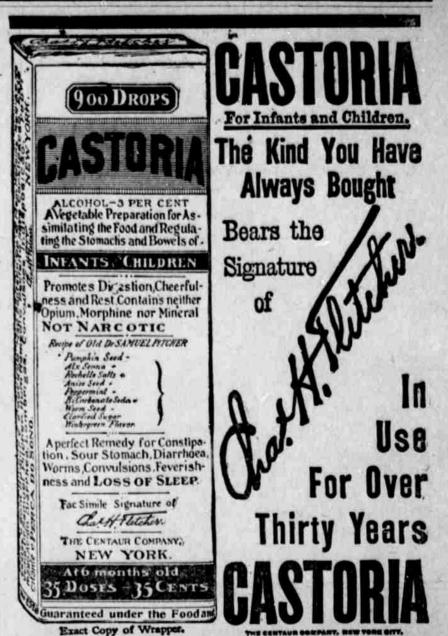
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